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Amendments to the Specification:

The applicants request the entry of the following two replacement paragraphs that were previously presented as revisions to the specification as originally filed. No new matter is believed entered by these revisions.

First, the applicants submit the following paragraph as a replacement for the first full paragraph appearing on page 3 of the specification as originally filed, running from lines 7-16, inclusive, with redlines showing changes made relative to the paragraph as originally filed:

-- In the specific context of implementing the data store 112 as a nationwide DNC list, governmental regulations may require that the automated system 110 involved in the implementation of such DNC list be accessible to both hearing callers 102 and hearing-impaired callers 104 via a single given telephone number, rather than having the automated system 110 provide respective first and second phone numbers by which hearing callers 102 and hearing-impaired callers would access the automated system 110. This second phone number would be supported by specific equipment enabling the hearing-impaired caller 104 to communicate using whatever specialized assisting devices may be necessary to allow the hearing-impaired caller 104 to communicate over the PSTN. --

Second, the applicants submit the following paragraph as a replacement for the first full paragraph appearing on page 10 of the specification as originally filed, running from lines 8-12, inclusive, with redlines showing changes made relative to the paragraph as originally filed:

- Speech recognition technology suitable for implementing block 416 is readily available from a variety of vendors, including but not limited to Nuance Corporation of Menlo Park, California. In the DNC list example discussed above, the method functions to obtain the caller's home phone number 106 and store it in the data store 112 in the form of the DNC list. --

The applicants submit that neither of the above replacement paragraphs raises any issue of new matter.